

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

| In re Application of:   | )                          |
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| Robert A. Dunstan, et al.   | ) Examiner: Butler, Dennis |
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| For: METHOD, APPARATUS AND SYSTEM FOR OPERATING DATA PROCESSING DEVICES | )<br>)<br>)<br>)           |

## **PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

MAIL STOP RCE Commissioner for Patents Post Office Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Dear Examiner:

Applicants respectfully request entry of this Preliminary Amendment in the Request for Continued Examination (RCE) filed herewith. Applicants additionally request consideration of the remarks presented herein.